

**MINUTES OF THE CITY OF LAS VEGAS SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 13, 2015 AT 5:30 P.M. IN THE CITY COUNCIL  
CHAMBERS**

**MAYOR:** Alfonso E. Ortiz, Jr.

**COUNCILORS:** Joey Herrera - Absent  
Tonita Gurule-Giroñ  
Vincent Howell  
David L. Romero

**ALSO PRESENT:** Elmer J. Martinez, Acting City Manager  
Casandra Fresquez, City Clerk  
Dave Romero, City Attorney  
Juan Montano, Sergeant at Arms

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Alfonso E. Ortiz, Jr. called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. and mentioned that Councilor Joey Herrera would not be attending the meeting as he was ill.

**ROLL CALL**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**MOMENT OF SILENCE**

Mayor Ortiz, Jr. asked for a moment of silence in honor of our veterans, Mr. Frank Rodriguez and Mr. Frank Crespín who will be recognized at the Legislature later this month.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Councilor Howell moved to approve the agenda. Councilor Gurule-Giron seconded the motion. Mayor Ortiz, Jr. asked for roll call vote. Roll Call Vote was taken and reflected the following:

Tonita Gurule-Giroñ	Yes	David Romero	Yes
Vincent Howell	Yes	Joey Herrera	Absent

City Clerk Fresquez re-read the motion and advised that the motion carried.

## **PUBLIC INPUT**

There were no individuals signed up for public input.

## **BUSINESS ITEMS**

1. Approval/Disapproval of appointment of Elmer J. Martinez as City Manager and Professional Service Contract through December 31, 2015.

Mayor Ortiz, Jr. stated that he is impressed with the work Mr. Elmer J. Martinez has been doing as Acting City Manager as he has made great strides in moving the city forward.

Mayor Ortiz, Jr. added that Mr. Martinez's background in planning and zoning has been very valuable and mentioned that under Martinez's leadership, the Governing Body has been able to come together and working cooperatively which hadn't been the case for quite a while.

There was some discussion on the City Manager's proposed professional contract. All concerns were addressed by the Mayor Ortiz, Jr. and City Attorney, Dave Romero.

Mayor Ortiz, Jr. called Councilor Herrera so that he could make a statement in regards to the recommended appointment of Martinez.

Councilor Herrera was unable to answer phone call, therefore Mayor Ortiz, Jr. read a phone text that Councilor Herrera had sent to Mayor Ortiz, Jr. earlier in the day which stated that Councilor Herrera expressed his support for Mr. Martinez.

Councilor Howell moved to approve the appointment of Elmer J. Martinez as City Manager and Professional Service Contract through December 31, 2015. Councilor Gurule-Giron seconded the motion. Mayor Ortiz, Jr. asked for roll call vote. Roll Call Vote was taken and reflected the following:

Vincent Howell	Yes	David Romero	Yes
Tonita Gurule-Giron	Yes	Joey Herrera	Absent

City Clerk Fresquez re-read the motion and advised that the motion carried.

City Manager, Elmer J. Martinez thanked Mayor and Council for their vote of confidence.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

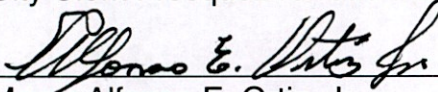
There were no items for Executive Session.

## ADJOURN

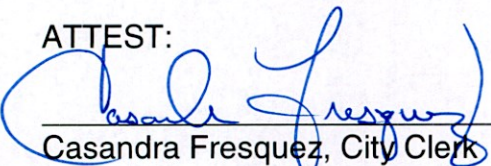
Councilor Gurule-Giroñ moved to adjourn. Councilor Howell seconded the motion. Mayor Ortiz, Jr. asked for roll call vote. Roll Call Vote was taken and reflected the following:

David Romero	Yes	Vincent Howell	Yes
Tonita Gurule-Giroñ	Yes	Joey Herrera	Absent

City Clerk Fresquez re-read the motion and advised that the motion carried.

  
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Mayor Alfonso E. Ortiz, Jr.

ATTEST:

  
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Casandra Fresquez, City Clerk